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Re: UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)  
Inventors: Masahiro Furo and Hideyo Osanai  
Title: *Insulating Substrate Boards for Semiconductor and Power Modules*  
Assignee: Dowa Mining Co., Ltd.  
Priority: Japanese Application No. 56106/2001; Filed March 1, 2001  
Japanese Application No. 16579/2002; Filed January 25, 2002  
Attorney Docket No.: 134.142  
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a United States patent application which includes 39 pages of specification, 24 claims (two independent, 22 dependent), Abstract of the Disclosure, one sheet of drawings, an executed Declaration, and a check in the amount of \$812 in payment of the filing fee by a large entity.

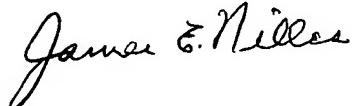
The following documents are also enclosed:

- 1) Certified copy of Japanese application No. 56106/2001, filed March 1, 2001, for the purpose of claiming its priority.
- 2) Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant Form PTO/SB/08A (substitute for Form 1449A/PTO) and copies of the references.
- 3) Assignment, Recordal Sheet, and \$40 check.

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